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## POLICY BRANCH INFORMATION

## **Satellite Space Applications Accepted for Filing**

The applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing. The Commission reserves the right to return any of the applications if, upon further examination, it is determined the application is not in conformance with the Commission's rules or its policies. Petitions, oppositions and other pleadings filed in response to this notice should conform to Section 25.154 of the Commission's rules, unless otherwise noted. 47 C.F.R. § 25.154.

SAT-STA-20020827-00248 P

Sirius Satellite Radio Inc.

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Special Temporary Authority

Sirius Satellite Radio, Inc. ("Sirius"), a licensee in the satellite digital audio radio service ("SDARS"), has filed two requests for special temporary authority ("STA") to operate terrestrial repeaters. By a request filed August 27, 2002, Sirius requests special temporary authority to operate certain existing terrestrial repeaters with technical specifications different than those notified as part of its STA granted in November 2001. See File No. SAT-STA-20010724-00064; 16 FCC Rcd 16773 (Int'l Bur. 2001). Sirius claims that these technical alterations are necessary to implement transmit diversity and to optimize the performance of its SDARS system. In addition, Sirius has filed letters dated June 16, 2003, September 25, 2003, and October 10, 2003, in which it responds to information requests from Commission staff. These supplemental letters are included in the above-captioned file. Sirius states that its proposed alterations will not change its obligations to protect licensees in the Wireless Communications Service ("WCS") and other authorized radiocommunications facilities from interference and are subject to the outcome of the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in IB Docket No. 95-91. Sirius also represents that it has contacted representatives of WCS licensees that hold licenses in markets in which Sirius seeks to alter or add repeaters in order to notify them of the proposed changes.

PLEASE NOTE: COMMENTS on this request may be filed on or before DECEMBER 1, 2003. REPLIES may be filed on or before DECEMBER 11, 2003.

SAT-STA-20030827-00299 P

Sirius Satellite Radio Inc.

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Special Temporary Authority

Sirius Satellite Radio, Inc. ("Sirius"), a licensee in the satellite digital audio radio service ("SDARS"), has filed a request for special temporary authority ("STA") to operate terrestrial repeaters. By a request filed August 27, 2003, Sirius seeks to alter the technical specifications of certain existing terrestrial repeaters, and to operate 135 additional repeaters throughout the United States, at locations and with technical specifications different than those notified as part of its STA granted in November 2001. See File No. SAT-STA-20010724-00064; 16 FCC Rcd 16773 (Int'l Bur. 2001). In addition, Sirius has filed letters dated June 16, 2003, September 25, 2003, and October 10, 2003, in which it responds to information requests from Commission staff. These supplemental letters are included in the above-captioned file. Sirius states that its proposed alterations will not change its obligations to protect licensees in the Wireless Communications Service ("WCS") and other authorized radiocommunications facilities from interference and are subject to the outcome of the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in IB Docket No. 95-91. Sirius also represents that it has contacted representatives of WCS licensees that hold licenses in markets in which Sirius seeks to alter or add repeaters in order to notify them of the proposed changes.

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